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Re: 99P-1340/CP 1

In May 1999, The Environmental Health Network (EHN) submitted a petition to have Calvin Klein's Eternity eau de parfum misbranded, and I fully support this petition.

FDA regulation 21CFR Sec, 740.10 states that "each ingredient used in a cosmetic product and each finished cosmetic product shall be adequately substantiated for safety prior to marketing" or the product should bear a warning label indicating that the product safety has not been determined. Eternity contains toxic ingredients and ingredients whose safety has not been substantiated, yet it's packaging carries no warning label.

Consumers have a right to know if their products have been properly tested for safety. Many people wrongfully assume that fragrances are safe to use in any setting, and they are not aware of the toxic chemicals that are present in many cosmetics. These chemicals may lead to discomfort and physical illness for people with asthma, chemical sensitivity, chronic fatigue, and other environmental illnesses.

On behalf of the millions of people who have suffered from the fragrances used by acquaintances, co-workers, teachers, and others, please help consumers protect themselves and their families from the dangers of toxic chemicals. Enforce FDA regulations that require truth in product labeling.

I look forward to your response regarding your intentions to rectify this environmental danger.

Sincerely,

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